

## Town of Richmond

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**July 19, 2021 Meeting** 

Selectmen present: William Daniels, Douglas Bersaw and Andrew Wallace

**Public Present: Kathryn McWhirk** 

Non-Board member present: Susan Harrington

Meeting opened at 5:31 pm

Daniels moved; Wallace 2<sup>nd</sup>; Board voted to approved the manifest dated July 12, 2021 for week of July 9, 2021-July 15, 2021 in the amount of: \$6,386.67 for payroll/accounts payable.

Wallace moved; Bersaw 2<sup>nd</sup>; Board approved tax abatement in the amount of \$23.00 for Map 202 Lot 027 Sub 005. Trailer is registered.

Board would like to add a notice to the Building Permits stating that no blasting is allowed under this building permit unless the town ordinance is followed. Ordinances can be found on the website.

Harrington advised Board of NHMA Legal Department stated you cannot tax deed a camper, would need to pursue through lawsuit per RSA 80:50.

Harrington advised Board that the Library Trustees would like to recommend Bonnie McCarthy to replace Douglass Bartlett. Harrington to follow up.

## **Appointments**

**Scott Thurber and Michelle Thurber** met with the Board to discuss zoning violations. Scott and Michelle stated the bus on the property is registered and all of the unregistered and/or junk cars are gone. Board would like the Zoning Compliance Officer revisit property to insure the property is back into compliance. The Board and the Thurber's agreed to the Zoning Compliance Officer coming back under the condition that he call first, and call Michelle Thurber after 4:30 pm.

**Buddy Blood met** with the Board to discuss the road conditions from the storms that occurred on Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>. Buddy submitted pictures. We will be submitting the Homeland Security and Emergency Management Initial Damage Assessment form from the state. Buddy will a provide a rough cost to repair the damages on town roads. Wallace will visit Greenwoods and Martin Cook Road for pictures.

**Kandace Mattson** met with the Board to advise them of a ZBA member questioning the posting and notification of public hearings. Mattson was unable to speak to Attorney Hoppock, she contacted the Legal Department in NHMA and the call was returned to her by Attorney Steve Buckley who advised the posting for a public hearing was correct per RSA 676.7. Mattson asked

if Attorney Hoppock could also review and advise. Board approved Mattson contacting Hoppock. Mattson advised members of Boards should not be discussing business with other members without being in a meeting and having a quorum. Mattson also requested that the Planning Board closet at the old police building should have a lock and to be accessed by the Planning Board only. Board agreed to the lock.

**Sheri Reynolds and Billy Hillock** met with the Board to discuss their improvement on property due to zoning violations. Hillock met every condition the Board had set for renewing their junkyard license. Junkyard license was issued for 158 Whipple Hill Road and will expire on July 1, 2022.

## **Walk in Appointments**

Ann Hamilton met with the Board to advise that she was not notified of the blasting that happened at 323 Fitzwilliam Road due to the cell tower being erected on the property. The Selectmen's Office, land abutters, police department and fire department were NOT notified prior to the blasting which is against the state and town ordinances. Board left a message on voicemail for David Cooper from Industrial Towers to contact the Selectmen's Office as soon as possible. Harrington to contact Daniels once Industrial Towers has contacted the office. Harrington will also contact Ann Hamilton.

**Jennifer Rhoades** met with the Board to a check in on how Richmond had weathered the storms from Saturday and Sunday. Rhoades visited surrounding towns to assess damage. Richmond has experienced a large amount of damage. Rhoades will relay the amount of damage at her meeting on Wednesday and contact Harrington to advise. She will be putting Richmond on a list for approximately 10 beds and pillows to be stored at the Veteran's Memorial Hall for any future disasters.

## **UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARING DATES**

The Select Board will be holding a Public Hearing/Informational Meeting on July 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM at the Veteran's Memorial Hall in regard to the replacement of the Whipple Hill Road Bridge and Tully Brook Road Bridge that are on the NHDOT's Municipal Red List due to structural integrity. The Veteran's Memorial Hall is located at 150 Old Homestead Hwy in Richmond, N.H. 03470.

The Select Board will be holding a Public Hearing on July 26, 2021 at 5:00 PM in the Selectmen's Office in the Richmond Town Hall at 105 Old Homestead Hwy in Richmond, N.H. 03470. The purpose of this hearing is to inform the public that the MS-636 budget form was not posted in accordance with RSA 32:5 and RSA 39:5. Pursuit to RSA 31:5-b a Special Defect Meeting will need to be held to correct the error.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Respectfully Submitted, Susan Harrington